

REMARKS

This amendment is being filed prior to payment of the issue fee. Entry of the foregoing amendments are respectfully requested to correct an informality with respect to Figure 5.

Specifically, in Figure 5, the reference numeral 68 had been used to designate both a snap-ring groove and a surface. Applicants have amended Figure 5 to use the reference numeral 168 to designate the snap-ring groove.

In addition, Applicants have amended paragraphs on pages 19 and 23 of the specification to reflect the change to Figure 5.

The foregoing amendments do not change the scope of the claims. Accordingly, entry of the amendment is requested.

It is believed that no fees are due in connection with this Rule 312 amendment. In the event this is not correct, the undersigned authorizes the Commissioner to charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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Amendments to the Drawings:

Appended to this amendment is an annotated copy of the previous drawing sheet which has been marked to show changes presented in the drawing. Specifically, Applicants have amended Figure 5 to change the reference numeral designating the snap-ring groove from 68 to 168.



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FIG. 5

